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1. A system for providing a commerce portal that may be used to procure one or more products offered for sale by a variety of vendors, the system comprising:

a commerce portal, wherein the portal includes a customizable selection of products offered for sale by a variety of vendors;

5 a first computer device configured to provide information for the commerce portal;

a second computer device configured to selectively access the commerce portal to procure products provided in the commerce portal;

10 a network, wherein the first and second computer devices are connected to the network;

purchasing information representing products provided in the commerce portal that are to be purchased by a customer, wherein the second computer transmits the purchase information to the commerce portal; and

15 a third computer device connected to the network that is configured to track the purchasing of products from the portal by the customer.

2. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the third computer device is at least one of:

(i) the first computer device; and

20 (ii) the second computer device.

3. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the products offered for sale are medical products.

4. A system as recited in claim 3, wherein the medical products relate to performing a dialysis procedure.

5. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein a first product, of the products offered for sale, is from a first industry, and wherein a second product, of the products offered for sale is from a second industry.

6. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the first computer device is a server.

10 7. A system as recited in claim 6, wherein the second computer device is a client.

8. A system as recited in claim 7, wherein the network is the Internet.

15 9. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the products represented by the purchasing information are purchased electronically through the commerce portal.

10. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the first computer is configured to selectively authorize access to the commerce portal.

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11. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the third computer is further configured to analyze information obtained by tracking the purchasing of products from the portal by the customer.

5 12. A system as recited in claim 11, wherein the third computer is configured to provide a report that includes information obtained by tracking the purchasing of products from the portal by the customer, wherein the report is provided to at least one of:

- (i) the customer; and
- (ii) a vendor.

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13. In a system that includes a computer device and a network, a method for providing a commerce portal that may be used in the procurement of products from vendors, the method comprising the steps for:

- 5 providing a commerce portal that includes a customizable selection of products offered for sale by a variety of vendors;
- receiving a purchasing order that indicates products provided in the commerce portal that are to be purchased by a customer;
- distributing the purchasing order to one or more vendors;
- monitoring information relating to purchasing of the products; and
- 10 tracking the purchases made of products from the portal by the customer.

14. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the step for providing a commerce portal is performed by one or more servers.

15 15. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the products offered for sale include products from a variety of different industries.

16. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the products offered for sale include various medical products.

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17. A method as recited in claim 13, further comprising the step for determining whether the purchasing order is authorized.

18. A method as recited in claim 13, further comprising the step for providing a
5 purchase analysis to at least one of:

- (i) the customer; and
- (ii) at least one of the one or more vendors.

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19. A computer program product for implementing within a computer system a method for providing a commerce portal that may be used in the procurement of products from vendors, the computer program product comprising

5 computer readable medium for providing computer program code means utilized to implement the method, wherein the computer program code means is comprised of executable code for implementing the steps for:

providing a commerce portal that includes a customizable selection of products offered for sale by a variety of vendors;

10 receiving a purchasing information that indicates products provided in the commerce portal that are to be purchased by a customer;

distributing the purchasing information to one or more vendors;

monitoring information relating to purchasing of the products included in the customizable selection of products; and

15 tracking the purchases made of products from the portal by the customer.

20. A computer program product as recited in claim 19, wherein the computer program code means is further comprised of executable code for implementing at least one of the steps for:

- 20 (i) authorizing the purchase information relating to the commerce portal;
and
(ii) providing a purchase analysis.